

THE BROOKLYN SITE.

A Report Vindicating the Treasury Officials from the Charge of Corruption in Its Selection—The Report Recommitted—Other Business Transacted in the House.

In the house yesterday Mr. Hopkins, from the committee on public buildings, submitted a report on the charges of corruption or collusion in regard to the selection of a site for a public building at Brooklyn, N. Y.

The report says: "Every opportunity was offered for the introduction of evidence to sustain the charges, and we unhesitatingly report that there has not been produced before us a scintilla of evidence which in the slightest degree reflects upon the integrity of the secretary of the treasury, upon the supervising architect, or upon any other officer of the government."

The report is accompanied by a resolution directing the committee from further consideration of the matter, which was placed on the calendar.

Subsequently, Mr. Holman moved to reconsider the vote by which this action was taken, and the house voted to direct the committee to return the report with instructions to the committee on public buildings to re-open the investigation with open doors, giving to the citizens of Brooklyn the right to examine all the testimony so far taken, and to examine any and all witnesses who may be subpoenaed. The committee is directed to inquire into the merits of the site proposed to be purchased, and whether the selection is satisfactory to the citizens of Brooklyn, and the secretary of the treasury is required to suspend further negotiations for the purchase until the report is returned.

Mr. Holman opposed this motion, on the ground that the committee having reported a vindication of the secretary of the treasury and other federal officers, these gentlemen were entitled to that vindication, and it should not be delayed by a recommital.

Mr. Sloane suggested that the motion to reconsider be withdrawn, directing the committee to report within ten days. He then moved a speedy determination of the matter was required as an act of justice to the secretary of the treasury and to the city of Brooklyn. If the report went upon the floor of the house it could not be acted upon this session, and he was therefore in favor of the recommital.

Mr. Holman modified his motion in accordance with the suggestion, and by adding a proviso encouraging the committee to send a sub-committee to Brooklyn.

The motion as modified was agreed to, and the report re-committed.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ACTED ON.

The Glass Tax and the Land Grant bill, coming over from Tuesday as unfinished business, was taken up and passed—yeas 158, nays 26.

Senate amendments were non-concurring in to both bills.

On motion of Mr. Dandy, the Senate amendments were concurred in to the joint resolution making an additional appropriation for the relief of the sufferers from the overflow of the Mississippi river.

RAILROAD LAND GRANT FORTITUDE.

Mr. Holley then called for the bill concerning railroad lands, and the house proceeded to consider the bill, forfeiting the lands granted to the California and Oregon Railroad company, except such lands as were granted for industrial purposes, and which was completed before the 1st of July, 1861.

A spark of interest was awakened in the debate by some vigorous remarks from Mr. Cobb in regard to the horde of railroad lobbyists who, he said, were now in Washington, and their opposition to the forfeiture bills. He had no doubt that, had he so desired, he could have secured \$1,000,000 for committing the committee on public works to the same measure. These forbidding bills ought to pass during the session, and they would pass if congress had to remain in session until Dec. 1.

The vote on the passage of the bill stood—yeas 133, nays 17. No division.

A DRY ROCK AT NEW YORK.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the secretary of the navy recommending the appropriation of \$15,000 for the construction of dry docks at the New York navy yard.

REFUND CERTAIN DUTIES.

Mr. Hewitt, from the committee on ways and means, reported a bill to refund duties on goods on the water to the rate of 1883 went into effect.

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